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To: Examiner Catherine A. Simone Fax No. (703) 872-9310
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Serial No.: 10/036,325 Art Unit: 1772
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| Application Number | 10/036,325 | Filing Date | December 26, 2001 |
| Group Art Unit | 1772 | Examiner Name | Catherine A. Simone |
| Confirmation No. | 3228 | Attorney Docket No. | 791_181 |
| Inventor(s) | Akira MATSUMOTO and Masashi FUKUYAMA | | |
| Invention: | RIBBONED POLARIZATION-MAINTAINING FIBER AND MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREFOR, AND POLARIZATION-MAINTAINING OPTICAL FIBER ARRAY USING THE SAME | | |

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as follows:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

| (1) | (2) Claims Remaining After Amendment | (3) | (4) Highest Number Previously Paid | (5) No. of Extra Claims Present | (6) Rate (Large Entity) | (7) Additional Fee |
|--|--|-------|--|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|
| TOTAL CLAIMS | 8 | MINUS | 20 | 0 | \$18.00 | \$00.00 |
| INDEP. CLAIMS | 1 | MINUS | 3 | 0 | \$84.00 | \$00.00 |
| TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT | | | | | | \$00.00 |

EXTENSION OF TERM

- ☒ Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.
- ☐ This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above-identified application. The requested extension and appropriate non-small entity fee are as follows:

- ☐ One Month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)) \$110.00
- ☐ Two Month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2)) \$410.00
- ☐ Three Month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)) \$930.00

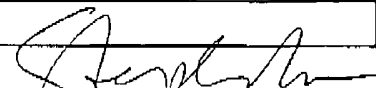
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- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is:

FEE PAYMENT

- ☒ No additional fee is required. ☐ A check in the amount of \$_____ is enclosed.
- ☐ Charge Deposit Account 50-1446 in the amount of \$_____. Enclosed is a duplicate copy of this sheet.
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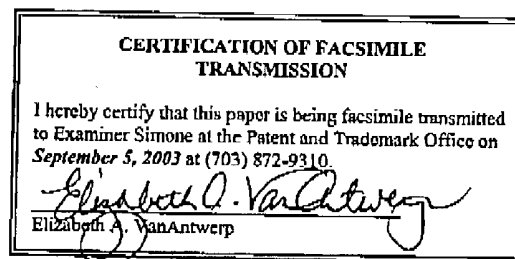
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SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT

Sir:

Further to the Amendment filed July 29, 2003 and in response to the Office Action mailed January 29, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.